PUBLIC TRUSTEE FOR SASKATCHEWAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended March 31, 1991

OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL AUDITOR

REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN

92-01697/

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Legislative Assembly
of Saskatchewan

I have audited the balance sheet of the Public Trustee for Saskatchewan as at March 31, 1991 and the statements of common trust revenue, distributed and undistributed earnings and changes in trust funds for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Public Trustee's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Public Trustee as at March 31, 1991 and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles disclosed in Note 1 to the financial statements.

W.K. Strelioff

Regina, Saskatchewan
July 18, 1991

W. K. Strelioff, C.A.
Provincial Auditor

Statement 1

PUBLIC TRUSTEE FOR SASKATCHEWAN

BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31

	1991	1990
ASSETS		
Cash	$ 1,496,989	$ 423,230
Accrued interest receivable	1,850,167	1,527,908
Securities and other assets (Notes 1 & 2)	80,596,535	75,435,858
	$83,943,691	$77,386,996
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable - estates (Note 1(d))	$ 202,461	$ 208,389
- administration fees (Note 3)	1,523,431	1,425,547
Total accounts payable	1,725,892	1,633,936
Funds held in trust for estates		
Distributed funds	80,424,907	74,266,776
Undistributed earnings (Statement 2)	1,792,892	1,486,284
Total funds held in trust for estates (Statement 3)	82,217,799	75,753,060
	$83,943,691	$77,386,996

(See accompanying notes to the financial statements)

PUBLIC TRUSTEE FOR SASKATCHEWAN

STATEMENT OF COMMON TRUST REVENUE, DISTRIBUTED AND UNDISTRIBUTED EARNINGS

For the Year Ended March 31

	1991	1990
Common Trust Revenue:		
Income from investments	$ 7,583,259	$ 6,854,572
Less: Management fees	(73,339)	(71,825)
Bank interest	77,469	59,752
Amortization of discounts net of premiums	522,781	246,025
(Loss) gain on sale of investments	(221,735)	67,039
Total available for distribution (Statement 3)	7,888,435	7,155,563
Undistributed earnings - beginning of year	1,486,284	1,630,030
Earnings distributed during year	(7,581,827)	(7,299,309)
Undistributed earnings - end of year (Statement 1)	$ 1,792,892	$ 1,486,284

(See accompanying notes to the financial statements)

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN TRUST FUNDS

For the Year Ended March 31

	1991	1990
Trust funds acquired:		
Estate capital - cash	$ 7,725,790	$ 4,918,267
- non cash assets	1,707,475	490,128
Revenue earned on behalf of trusts		
- common (Statement 2)	7,888,435	7,155,563
- individual	93,556	129,207
Wages and pension benefits	10,409,862	10,096,323
Property rentals	367,407	373,171
Miscellaneous	1,596,741	1,405,883
Total trust funds acquired	29,789,266	24,568,542
Trust funds expended:		
Released estates - cash	9,616,817	7,102,862
- non cash assets	9,965	1,296,127
Maintenance and other payments on behalf of estates	12,032,312	11,307,161
Administration fees (Note 3)	1,665,433	1,568,577
Total trust funds expended	23,324,527	21,274,727
Increase in trust funds	6,464,739	3,293,815
Balance, beginning of year	75,753,060	72,459,245
Balance, end of year (Statement 1)	$82,217,799	$75,753,060

(See accompanying notes to the financial statements)

PUBLIC TRUSTEE FOR SASKATCHEWAN

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 1991

1. Significant Accounting Policies

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the following accounting policies:

a) Common Trust Securities

i) Common trust securities are purchased by the Public Trustee with the cash assets of the estates and are recorded at amortized cost except for short term investments which are recorded at cost. Unamortized discounts and premiums are amortized over the life of the investments. Gains or losses on the sale of investments are recognized in the year of the sale.

ii) Income earned on common trust securities is recorded on the accrual basis of accounting.

iii) Income received is distributed semi-annually to the individual trust accounts on September 30 and March 31.

b) Individual Trust Securities

Individual trust securities consist of investments held by individuals at the date their estates came under control of the Public Trustee and investments subsequently made in the name of individuals by the Public Trustee. These investments are valued as follows:

i) Term deposits, bonds and RRSP's are recorded at par value at the date the Public Trustee assumes control of the securities. Reinvestment of individual securities are recorded at cost.

ii) If it is in the best interest of an estate the Public Trustee makes contributions on behalf of the individual to the Saskatchewan Pension Plan. The individual investment together with the Government of Saskatchewan's matching contribution and the interest earned on the pension plan are recorded on the accrual basis of accounting.

iii) Shares are recorded at the market value at the date the Public Trustee assumes control. Shares are valued at lower of assumed control price or market. If a market value cannot be determined the shares are recorded at a nominal value of $1.

iv) Income from investments, except from Saskatchewan Pension Plan, on individual trust securities and other assets is recorded on the cash basis of accounting and is distributed to the individual trust accounts when received.

c) Other Assets

i) Real estate holdings of infants are recorded at a nominal value of $1.

ii) Real estate holdings of other individuals are recorded at appraised values at the date the Public Trustee assumes control or at cost if real estate is purchased by the Public Trustee on behalf of an individual. The recorded values are subject to periodic revaluation.

iii) Miscellaneous assets are recorded at amounts determined from information available to the Public Trustee at the date the Public Trustee assumes control of the assets. Subsequent adjustments are made if additional valuation information is received. If no valuation information is available, these assets are recorded at a nominal value of $1.

d) Accounts Payable - Estates

Accounts payable - estates are settled at such time as the assets of the estates are liquidated.

e) Other Transactions

All other transactions are recorded in the accounts as funds are received or disbursed.

2. Securities and Other Assets Held in Trust as at March 31

	1991	1990
Common Trust Securities:		
Bonds & debentures at par value (market value 1991 - $43,127,249; 1990 - $50,711,679)	$43,081,226	$54,893,454
Equities at cost (market value 1991 - $16,620,403; 1990 - $19,106)	15,824,913	19,106
Less unamortized premiums and discounts	554,004	959,931
Amortized cost	58,352,135	53,952,629
Short term investments at cost	13,640,138	14,067,052
	71,992,273	68,019,681
Individual Trust Securities:		
Term deposits, bonds & RRSP's (cost)	1,744,912	1,282,377
Saskatchewan Pension Plan Investment	356,171	215,128
Shares (Note 1(b)(iii))	524,906	476,491
	2,625,989	1,973,996
Total securities (Schedule 1)	74,618,262	69,993,677
Individual Trusts - Other Assets:		
Real estate	5,613,807	5,067,751
Miscellaneous	364,466	374,430
Total Securities and Other Assets	$80,596,535	$75,435,858

3. Administration Fees

In accordance with The Public Trustee Regulations, administration fees are assessed and subsequently paid to the Consolidated Fund when collected from the estates.

4. Related Party Transactions

In accordance with section 53 of The Public Trustee Act, all general administrative and employee costs required for the administration of the Office of the Public Trustee are paid out of the Consolidated Fund of the Province of Saskatchewan (1990/91 - $819,874; 1989/90 - $800,413). Accordingly, no provision for these costs is included in these financial statements.

5. Authority

The Public Trustee for Saskatchewan was established under The Public Trustee Act. Effective April 1, 1984 the Public Trustee succeeded the Official Guardian appointed pursuant to The Infants Act and the Administrator of Estates appointed pursuant to The Administration of Estates of Mentally Disordered Persons Act.

6. Comparative Figures

Certain 1990 balances have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

Schedule 1

PUBLIC TRUSTEE FOR SASKATCHEWAN

SCHEDULE OF SECURITIES HELD

As at March 31

	Common Trust	Individual Trust	1991 Total	1990 Total
Government of Canada	$ 8,850,000	$ 459,000	$ 9,309,000	$ 9,443,828
Provincial:				
Alberta	---	---	---	500,000
British Columbia	650,000	---	650,000	650,000
New Brunswick	---	---	---	675,000
Newfoundland	---	---	---	875,000
Nova Scotia	700,000	---	700,000	900,000
Ontario	3,605,000	---	3,605,000	3,595,000
Prince Edward Island	390,000	---	390,000	390,000
Saskatchewan	5,994,000	---	5,994,000	6,550,000
Municipalities:				
Alberta	---	---	---	1,225,000
British Columbia	---	---	---	200,000
Saskatchewan	124,000	---	124,000	187,000
Corporate Bonds	22,768,226	---	22,768,226	30,296,454
Sundry Assets	---	1,642,083	1,642,083	903,677
Share Certificates	15,824,913	524,906	16,349,819	495,597
	58,906,139	2,625,989	61,532,128	56,886,556
Less unamortized premiums and discounts	554,004	---	554,004	959,931
	58,352,135	2,625,989	60,978,124	55,926,625
Short term investments	13,640,138	---	13,640,138	14,067,052
	$71,992,273	$2,625,989	$74,618,262	$69,993,677